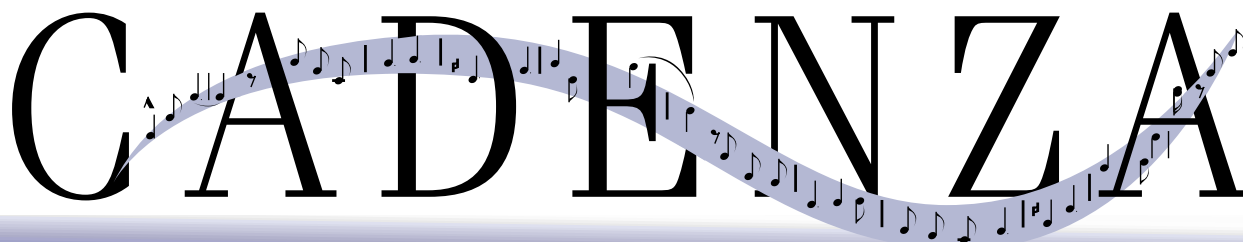


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The United States Air Force Band ★ Washington, DC

Colonel Lowell E. Graham, Commander/Conductor

May-June 2000

SPRING TOUR 2000

Spring has finally arrived in the nation's capital, and while most Americans are dusting off their gardening tools and celebrating the start of baseball season, members of The United States Air Force Band are pulling out their traveling clothes and packing their bags—it's time for Spring Tour! The Concert Band and Singing Sergeants are putting the final touches on the program for their 21-day tour of West Virginia, Kentucky, Illinois, Missouri and Kansas.

Community relations tours play a vital role as we fulfill our mission to communicate positive Air Force messages to the public. Most communities we visit have no Air Force presence other than perhaps the local recruiter. When The United States Air Force Band comes to town, we certainly do our best to put

on an exciting and entertaining show, but more importantly, we strive to present a high-impact, memorable demonstration of Air Force excellence, precision and professionalism to people that otherwise don't have a direct opportunity to witness them. In this day of increased recruiting and retention challenges, this face-to-face outreach across our country is a unique and invaluable tool for heightening public awareness and esteem for the world's greatest Air and Space Force.

If you live in one of the states mentioned above, or know someone who does, please check the calendar on page 5 for details regarding Spring Tour 2000. Come out and join us for a great concert, brought to you by your United States Air Force!

—SMSgt David Nokes

The USAF Band begins its 2000 Summer Concert Series

As Washington, D.C. prepares for what is sure to be another great summer, The USAF Band is gearing up for Summer Concert Series 2000. Beginning in June and lasting through the end of August, this annual event features various performing units from The Band in free outdoor concerts in our nation's capital. This year performances will take place Tuesday evenings on the west steps of the U.S. Capitol Building, and Friday evenings at the Sylvan Theater on the grounds of the Washington Monument. The concerts for both days begin at 8 p.m., with no ticket requirements. We suggest that you bring blankets or lawn chairs to make seating more comfortable. Remember, concerts may be cancelled in the event of inclement weather, so we ask that you call our Concert Line at (202) 767-5658 for specific weather and performance information as concert dates approach.